

SHERIFF'S OFFICE HIGHLIGHTS MAY - JUNE 2007

I. Search & Rescue (SAR)

- Over the Memorial Day Weekend the Search and Rescue Unit responded to 5 calls for service. Four of the calls were searches for lost or overdue people and one call was for a rescue of an injured hiker on the Kachina Trail.
- Following the Memorial Day Weekend, SAR responded to a report of an injured hiker on the Humphrey's Peak Trail at 12,300 feet elevation above the Humphrey's Saddle. SAR volunteers and equipment were flown to the saddle by DPS Air Rescue; however, it was not possible to evacuate the patient by helicopter due to the winds and the approaching darkness. SAR personnel conducted a litter carry (see below photo) from the Humphrey's Saddle to the Agassiz Lodge on the Humphrey's Trail. By early the next morning, the operation was concluded.



- The Search and Rescue Unit received a letter of appreciation and a donation from Margret Wolfe who is the sister of Reinhard Kirchner. Kirchner was the subject of an intensive search in the Hellhole Bend area of the Little Colorado River Gorge in April. To date Mr. Kirchner has not been found and the search has been suspended due to lack of clues.

II. Patrol

- DARE Graduations
 - 5/21/07 Maine Consolidated School – 11 students graduated from classes taught by Detective Lurkins
 - 5/29/07 Cromer – 105 students graduated from classes taught by Detective Lurkins, Deputy Isbell, and Corporal Koch
- On May 30, 2007 Corporal Pam Koch retired with 20+ years of dedicated service to the Coconino County Sheriff's Office and community.
- Over the Memorial Day weekend, the Sheriff's Office assisted Williams Police Department in a home invasion and related incidents.
- Memorial Day Weekend DUI Task Force - The Coconino County Sheriff's Office hosted the DUI Task force for Northern Arizona and set up a Command Center in the Motor Vehicle Division Parking Lot on the corner of Milton Road and University Drive. Participants included the Sheriff's Office, AZ Department of Public Safety, the Northern AZ University Police Department, and the Flagstaff Police Department. Detention officers assisted in the processing and booking of the drivers who were arrested. Members from the Coconino County CERT (Community Emergency Response Teams) also assisted at the command post. A total of 466 contacts or stops, 34 DUI arrests, and 89 other citations were made by the Task Force. The average Blood Alcohol Level was 0.137 BAC for DUI's. The legal limit in Arizona is 0.08 BAC.
- Memorial Day Weekend OUI & Boating Safety Task Force - Nineteen Officers from the Coconino County Sheriff's Office, AZ Game and Fish, the National Park Service (Glen Canyon), and the AZ Department of Public Safety conducted a watercraft safety awareness and enforcement detail on May 26th from 3:00 pm until 7:00 pm. The officers concentrated their efforts in the Lake Powell and Antelope Point areas. Officers contacted 116 boats with a total of 400 occupants. Fifty citations were issued for the below listed violations: 4 expired registrations, 9 no personal flotation device on board, 10 no fire extinguisher, 24 no type 4 throw able flotation device on board, 3 child under the age of 3 not wearing a personal flotation.



Corporal Pam Koch



III. Detention

- The EXODUS (In Custody Treatment) Program has had 25 individuals go through portions of the 16 week program during their sentence. Feedback from the Program Coordinator is that inmates are responding very positively to the program and supporting each other. As of June 1, 2007 there were 19 individuals in the program. The Case Worker, who will be working a large part on community interface programs, begins next week.
- A simulcast video system is being installed in C pod to provide treatment videos for the inmates.
- Automated External Defibrillators have been installed throughout the Detention Facility and Detention staff has completed training on use of them.